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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

IN RE: Bard Implanted Port Catheter
Products Liability Litigation

MDL No. 3081

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

**MASTER SHORT-FORM
COMPLAINT AND JURY TRIAL
DEMAND**

Matthew Simpkins, Survivor and Heir at Law of Patricia Simpkins

Plaintiff(s),

v.

Becton Dickinson and Company, et al.,

Defendants.

Plaintiff(s) named below, for their Complaint against Defendants named below, incorporate(s) by reference the Master Long-Form Complaint in MDL 3081 (Dkt. 119). Pursuant to Case Management Order No. 7, this Short-Form Complaint adopts the allegations, claims, and relief as set forth in the Master Long-Form Complaint. As set forth below, Plaintiff(s) may include (a) additional claims and allegations against Defendants, as set forth in Paragraph 15 or an additional sheet attached hereto; and/or (b) additional claims and allegations against other Defendants, as set forth in Paragraph 5 or an additional sheet attached hereto. Plaintiff(s) further allege(s) as follows:

I. PLAINTIFF(S)

1 1. Name of Plaintiff/Decedent implanted with Bard Implanted Port Catheter
2 Product ("Device") (first, middle, and last name):

3 Patricia Alwina Simpkins

4 2. Name of Plaintiff/Decedent's spouse (if bringing a loss-of-consortium claim):

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6 3. Other Plaintiff and capacity (*i.e.*, administrator, executor, guardian, conservator,
7 representative, survivor, etc.), if any:

8 Matthew Simpkins, Survivor and Heir at Law

9 **II. DEFENDANT(S)**

10 4. Plaintiff(s) name(s) the following Defendant(s) in this action:

11 ☒ Becton, Dickinson and Company

12 ☒ C.R. Bard, Inc.

13 ☒ Bard Access Systems, Inc.

14 ☒ Bard Peripheral Vascular, Inc.

15 5. Plaintiff(s) contend(s) that additional parties may be liable or responsible for
16 Plaintiff(s)' damages alleged herein. Such additional parties and their
17 citizenship are as follows:

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21 **III. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

22 6. City and State of domicile of each Plaintiff at time of filing Plaintiff(s)' initial
23 Complaint:

24 Shreveport, Louisiana

25 7. City and State of residence of Plaintiff/Decedent at the time of Device
26 placement:

27 Shreveport, Louisiana

8. City and State of residence of Plaintiff/Decedent at the time of alleged injury
for which a claim is asserted:

Shreveport, Louisiana

9. Basis for jurisdiction:

☒ Diversity of citizenship (28 U.S.C. § 1332(a))

☐ Other: _____

a. Other allegations of jurisdiction and venue not expressed in Master
Complaint:

10. Designated forum (United States District Court and Division, if applicable) in
which Plaintiff asserts personal jurisdiction and venue would be proper absent
direct filing in this MDL:

United States District Court, Western District of Louisiana

IV. PRODUCT USE AND INJURY

11. Plaintiff/Decedent was implanted with the following Device(s) and alleges that
the Device(s) caused their injuries¹:

☐ BardPort M.R.I. Implantable Port

☐ BardPort M.R.I. Low-Profile Implantable Port

☐ BardPort Titanium Dome Implantable Port

☐ BardPort Titanium Implantable Port

☐ M.R.I. Plastic Dual Lumen Port

☐ M.R.I. Ultra SlimPort Implantable Port

☐ Peritoneal Titanium Port

☐ PowerFlow Implantable Apheresis IV Port

☒ PowerPort ClearVUE isp Implantable Port

¹ Check all that apply. See Exhibit A for additional information regarding the
corresponding model numbers/product codes for these Devices.

- ☐ PowerPort ClearVUE Slim Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort duo M.R.I. Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort isp Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort isp M.R.I. Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort M.R.I. Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort Slim Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort VUE M.R.I. Implantable Port
- ☐ PowerPort VUE Titanium Implantable Port
- ☐ SlimPort Dual-Lumen Rosenblatt Implantable Port
- ☐ Titanium Low-Profile Port
- ☐ Titanium SlimPort Implantable Port
- ☐ Vaccess CT Low-Profile Titanium Power-Injectable Port
- ☐ Vaccess CT Power-Injectable Implantable Port
- ☐ X-Port isp M.R.I. Implantable Port
- ☐ X-Port Low-Profile Titanium Port
- ☐ Other: _____

12. Date(s) of implantation as to the foregoing Device(s):

09/17/2021

13. Model number(s)/product code(s), if available, for the foregoing Device(s):

5608062

14. Complication(s) alleged to have occurred from use of the foregoing Device(s):

☐ Catheter fracture

☒ Infection

☐ Thrombosis

☐ Other: _____

V. CAUSES OF ACTION

15. Plaintiff(s) adopt(s) in this Short-Form Complaint the following claims and allegations asserted in the Master Long-Form Complaint:

- ☒ Count I: Design Defect – Strict Liability
- ☒ Count II: Design Defect – Negligence
- ☒ Count III: Failure to Warn/Instruct – Strict Liability
- ☒ Count IV: Failure to Warn/Instruct – Negligence
- ☒ Count V: Manufacturing Defect – Strict Liability
- ☒ Count VI: Manufacturing Defect – Negligence
- ☒ Count VII: Breach of Express Warranty
- ☒ Count VIII: Breach of Implied Warranty
- ☒ Count IX: Negligent Misrepresentation
- ☒ Count X: Fraudulent Misrepresentation
- ☒ Count XI: Fraudulent Concealment
- ☒ Count XII: Consumer Fraud and/or Unfair and Deceptive Trade Practices
- ☒ Count XIII: Unjust Enrichment
- ☐ Count XIV: Loss of Consortium
- ☒ Count XV: Wrongful Death
- ☒ Count XVI: Survival
- ☒ Count XVII: Successor Liability
- ☒ Timeliness and Tolling of Statutes of Limitation and Repose
- ☒ Punitive Damages
- ☐ Count XVIII: Other _____

If additional claim(s) against Defendant(s) are alleged in Count XVIII above, the facts supporting such claim(s) must be pleaded. Plaintiff(s) assert(s) the following factual allegations:

16. Jury Trial demanded for all issues so triable?

☒ Yes

☐ No

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff(s) pray(s) for relief and judgment against Defendants and all such further relief that this Court deems equitable and just as set forth in the Master Long-Form Complaint and Jury Demand and any additional relief to which Plaintiff(s) may be entitled.

Dated: 01-15-2024

Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

<u>Brand Name</u>	<u>Model Number/Product Code</u>
BardPort M.R.I. Implantable Port	0602610, 0602620, 0602640, 0602650, 0602660, 0602670, 0602680, 0602690, 0602830, 0602833, 0602840, 0602843, 0605400, 0605420, 0607173
BardPort M.R.I. Low-Profile Implantable Port	0603830, 0603840, 0603870, 0603880, 6603880
BardPort Titanium Dome Implantable Port	0602850, 0602860, 0602870
BardPort Titanium Implantable Port	0602230, 0602240, 0602270, 0602290, 0603000, 0602820, 0605300, 0605320, 0607301, 0607302, 0602210, 0602260, 0602280, 0602810
M.R.I. Plastic Dual Lumen Port	0603500, 0605920, 0605930, 0607100, 0607200, 0615460
M.R.I. Ultra SlimPort Implantable Port	0605640, 0655640
Peritoneal Titanium Port	0603000, 0603006
PowerFlow Implantable Apheresis IV Port	A710962
PowerPort ClearVUE isp Implantable Port	1606052, 1606062, 1606362, 1606382, 1608052, 1608062, 1608362, 1608382, 1666362, 1668362, 1676300, 5606362, 5608062, 5608362, 5666362, 5668362, CP00004

PowerPort ClearVUE Slim Implantable Port	1616000, 1616001, 1616070, 1616071, 1616300, 1616380, 1618000, 1618001, 1618070, 1618300, 1618380, 1676301, 1678300, 1678301, 5616000, 5616300, 5618000, 5618300, 5676300, 5676301, 5678300, 5678301, CP00005
PowerPort duo M.R.I. Implantable Port	1829500, 1829570, 5829500, 5829502
PowerPort Implantable Port	1708000, 1708001, 1708070, 1708071, 1709600, 1709601, 1759600, 1759601, 1778000, 1778001, 1778070, 1778071
PowerPort isp Implantable Port	1706050, 1706051, 1706060, 1706061, 1708050, 1708051, 1708060, 1708061, 1708160, 1708550, 1708551, 1708560, 1708561, 4708060, 4708061, 4708560, 4708561, CP00001, CP00002, CP00003, CP00009
PowerPort isp M.R.I. Implantable Port	1806050, 1806051, 1806060, 1806061, 1808050, 1808051, 1808060, 1808061, 1808069, 1808360, 1808550, 1808551, 1808560, 1808561, 1809660, 1809661, 1859660, 1859661, 4808060, 4808061, 4808560, 4808561, 9808560
PowerPort M.R.I. Implantable Port	1808000, 1808001, 1808002, 1808070, 1808071, 1808300, 1809600, 1809601, 1809670, 1859600, 1859601, 1878000, 1878001, 1878070, 1878071

PowerPort Slim Implantable Port	1716000, 1716001, 1716070, 1716071, 1716080, 1718000, 1718001, 1718070, 1718500, 1718501, 1718570, 1718571, CP00008
PowerPort VUE M.R.I. Implantable Port	1806052, 1806062, 1808052, 1808062
PowerPort VUE Titanium Implantable Port	1706052, 1706062, 1708052, 1708062
SlimPort Dual-Lumen Rosenblatt Implantable Port	0604970, 0624970, 0654970
Titanium Low-Profile Port	0602180, 0602190, 0605490, 0605510, 0606100, 0606150, 0606200
Titanium SlimPort Implantable Port	0605550, 0605560, 0655510
Vaccess CT Low-Profile Titanium Power-Injectable Port	7360000, 7360001, 7380000
Vaccess CT Power-Injectable Implantable Port	7460000, 7480000, 7496000
X-Port isp M.R.I. Implantable Port	0607500, 0607510, 0607520, 0607530, 0607540, 0607550, 0607555, 0657500, 0657510, 0657520, 0657525, 7707540, 7757540
X-Port Low-Profile Titanium Port	0655870, 0605840, 0605850